

SA 2917 proposed by Mr. DASCHLE (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN) to the bill (S. 517) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2982. Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself and Mr. STEVENS) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2980 proposed by Mr. DASCHLE (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. REID, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. STEVENS, and Mr. BAYH) to the amendment SA 2917 proposed by Mr. DASCHLE (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN) to the bill (S. 517) supra.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 2980. Mr. DASCHLE (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. REID, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. STEVENS and Mr. BAYH) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2917 proposed by Mr. DASCHLE (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN) to the bill (S. 517) to authorize funding the Department of Energy to enhance its mission areas through technology transfer and partnerships for fiscal years 2002 through 2006, and for other purposes; as follows:

Insert the following after Section 704(d):

“(e) PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN PIPELINE ROUTE.—No license, permit, lease, right-of-way, authorization or other approval required under Federal law for the construction of any pipeline to transport natural gas from lands within the Prudhoe Bay oil and gas lease area may be granted for any pipeline that follows a route that traverses—

“(1) the submerged lands (as defined by the Submerged Lands Act) beneath, or the adjacent shoreline of, the Beaufort Sea; and

“(2) enters Canada at any point north of 68 degrees North latitude.”

Insert the following after Section 706(c):

“(d) STATE COORDINATION.—The Federal Coordinator shall enter into a Joint Surveillance and Monitoring Agreement, approved by the President and the Governor of Alaska, with the State of Alaska similar to that in effect during construction of the Trans-Alaska Oil Pipeline to monitor the construction of the Alaska natural gas transportation project. The federal government shall have primary surveillance and monitoring responsibility where the Alaska natural gas transportation project crosses federal lands and private lands, and the state government shall have primary surveillance and monitoring responsibility where the Alaska natural gas transportation project crosses state lands.”

SA 2981. Mr. MILLER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2917 proposed by Mr. DASCHLE (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN) to the bill (S. 517) to authorize funding the Department of Energy to enhance its mission areas through technology transfer and partnerships for fiscal years 2002 through 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 155, between lines 17 and 18, insert the following:

(c) AVERAGE FUEL ECONOMY STANDARDS FOR PICKUP TRUCKS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 32902(b) of title 49, United States Code (as amended by subsection (b)(3)) is further amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(6) PICKUP TRUCKS.—The average fuel economy standard for pickup trucks manufactured by a manufacturer in a model year after model year 2004 shall be 20.7 miles per gallon. No average fuel economy standard prescribed under another provision of this section shall apply to pickup trucks.”.

(2) DEFINITION OF PICKUP TRUCK.—Section 32901(a) of such title (as amended by subsection (b)) is further amended—

(A) in paragraph (17), by inserting “, other than a pickup truck,” after “automobile” in the matter preceding subparagraph (A); and

(B) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(18) ‘pickup truck’ has the meaning given that term in regulations prescribed by the Secretary for the administration of this chapter, as in effect on January 1, 2002, except that such term shall also include any additional vehicle that the Secretary defines as a pickup truck in regulations prescribed for the administration of this chapter after such date.”.

SA 2982. Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself and Mr. STEVENS) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2980 proposed by Mr. DASCHLE (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. REID, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. STEVENS, and Mr. BAYH) to the amendment SA 2917 proposed by Mr. DASCHLE (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN) to the bill (S. 517) to authorize funding the Department of Energy to enhance its mission areas through technology transfer and partnerships for fiscal years 2002 through 2006, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the end of the amendment insert the following:

On page 142 after line 20 insert a new section as follows and renumber all following sections accordingly:

“SEC. 708. STATE JURISDICTION OVER IN-STATE DELIVERY OF NATURAL GAS.

“(a) Any facility receiving natural gas from the Alaska natural gas transportation project for delivery to consumers within the State of Alaska shall be deemed to be a local distribution facility within the meaning of section 1(b) of the Natural Gas Act, and therefore not subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

“(b) Nothing in this Subtitle, except as provided in subsection 704(e), shall preclude or affect any future gas pipeline that may be constructed to deliver natural gas to Fairbanks, Anchorage, Matanuska-Susitna Valley, or the Kenai peninsula or Valdez or any other site in the State of Alaska for consumption within or distribution outside the State of Alaska.”

“On page 148 after line 2 insert:

“SEC. 714. ALASKAN PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION TRAINING PROGRAM.

“(a) Within six months after enactment of this Act the Secretary of Labor (hereinafter referred to as the ‘Secretary’) shall submit a report to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the United States Senate and the Committee on Resources of the United States House of Representatives setting forth a program to train Alaska residents in the skills and crafts required in the design, construction, and operation of an Alaska gas pipeline system that will enhance employment and contracting opportunities for Alaskan residents. The report shall also describe any laws, rules, regulations and policies which act as a deterrent to hiring Alaskan residents or contracting with Alaskan residents to perform work on Alaska gas pipelines, together with any recommendations for changes. For purposes of this section Alaskan residents shall be defined as those individuals eligible to vote within the State of Alaska on the date of enactment of this Act.

“(b) Within 1 year of the date the report is transmitted to Congress, the Secretary shall, directly or through grants or cooperative agreements, establish within the State

of Alaska, at such locations as the Secretary deems appropriate, training center(s) for the express purpose of training Alaskan residents in the skills and crafts necessary in the design, construction and operation of gas pipelines in Alaska. The training center shall also train Alaskan residents in the skills required to write, offer, and monitor contracts in support of the design, construction, and operation of Alaska gas pipelines.

“(c) In implementing the report and program described in this section, the Secretary shall consult with the Alaskan Governor.

“(d) There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary such sums as may be necessary, but not to exceed \$20,000,000 for the purposes of this section.”.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. FEINGOLD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to conduct a nomination hearing during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 6, 2002, at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of this hearing will be to consider the following nominations: Thomas Dorr the nominee for Under Secretary of Rural Development; Nancy Bryson, the administration's nominee to serve as general counsel for USDA; and Grace Daniel and Fred Dailey who are nominated to serve on the Board of Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. FEINGOLD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 6, 2002, at 10 a.m., to conduct an oversight hearing on “Accounting and Investor Protection Issues Raised by Enron and Other Public Companies; Oversight of the Accounting Profession, Audit Quality and Independence, and Formulation of Accounting Principles.”

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. FEINGOLD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Environmental and Public Works be authorized to meet on Wednesday, March 6, 2002, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing to receive testimony on S. 975, the Community Character Act of 2001; and S. 1079, the Brownfield Site Redevelopment Assistance Act of 2001.

The hearing will be held in SD-406.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. FEINGOLD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 6, 2002, at